



## THE SHRINE CHURCH OF *St. Bernadette*

8201 - 13th Avenue

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*Looking for a Catholic community?  
St. Bernadette Church would like to welcome those who are searching for God  
and meaning in their lives.  
You are warmly invited to join us for worship in a faith-filled community.  
Our priests are available for individual consultation.  
Just call the rectory (718 - 837-3400)  
to schedule an appointment.*

### **MASSES:**

Saturday: 8:00 A.M. & 5:30 P.M.  
Sunday: 8:00, 10:00 AM & 12:00 P.M.  
Daily: 7:00, 9:00 A.M.  
Eves of Holydays: 7:30 P.M.  
Holydays: 7:00, 9:00 & 10:00 A.M.

### **CONFESSIONS:**

Monday to Friday: 6:30-6:50 A.M., 8:30-8:50 A.M.  
Saturday: 7:30-7:50 A.M., 1:00 to 2:00 P.M., 4:30-5:20 P.M.

### **DEVOTIONS:**

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Mon. after the 9:00 A.M.  
Mass. Rosary - Mon.-Sat. after the 9:00A.M. Mass.

### **MARRIAGES:**

Please call the Rectory Office at least 6 months in advance of the marriage date to make an appt. with a priest to discuss marriage plans. Please log on to [www.pre-cana.org](http://www.pre-cana.org) for complete information about marriage preparations in the Diocese.

### **RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday to Friday.  
9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
Closed Saturday, Sunday, and Legal Holidays.  
Sick Calls Anytime.

### **CATHOLIC CEMETERIES**

For information and availability options please call:  
(718) 894-4888

### **BAPTISMS:**

Baptisms are scheduled on the Third Sunday of the month at 2:00 P.M. A Preparation Session is required for parents to attend on the Preceding Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. Registration of Baptism is necessary prior to preparation and date of Baptism. A Birth Certificate is also needed at the time of registration. Parents are required to make appointment before both the preparation meeting and the date of Baptism.

### **Parish Mission Statement**

We, the faith-filled community of St. Bernadette, under the guidance of our Blessed Mother, pass on our Catholic heritage to future generations by following Christ's example of caring for His people. We accomplish this through the loving actions of welcoming and serving one another's spiritual and social needs.



# PRAY FOR

**Sunday, January 9th**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
 10:00 Peter Balzano  
 12:00 Dec'd Members of the Herlihy & Oliveri Families

**Monday, January 10th**

7:00 Carmen Marie DiRienzo Carmody  
 9:00 Carmelo DiBartolo

**Tuesday, January 11th**

7:00 John G. Barra  
 9:00 Florence Modica

**Wednesday, January 12th**

7:00 Carmen Marie DiRienzo Carmody  
 9:00 Marie Sangorgio

**Thursday, January 13th**

7:00 Carmen Marie DiRienzo Carmody  
 9:00 William Torres

**Friday, January 14th**

7:00 Frieda McInerney  
 9:00 David Paplanus

**Saturday, January 15th**

8:00 Ralph DiMeglio  
 5:30 Giovanni Ranieri

**Sunday, January 16th**

8:00 For the People of the Parish  
 10:00 Frank Turco  
 12:00 Evelyn & Francis Giaquinto

Michael Albano  
 Louis Battaglia  
 O. Beyrouti  
 Debbie Bouroudis  
 Sarah Brodine  
 Cheryl Brown  
 Nicholas Campanella  
 Brain Dowling  
 Ray Gangi  
 George Guida  
 Eleanor Iaverone  
 Janet Maffia  
 Joseph McKie  
 Nicola Muriale  
 Bernadette O'Neill  
 Jon Raugas  
 Susan Albi Russo  
 Mark Sailor  
 Pauline Sciarrino  
 Nicky Taverniti  
 Sally Testa  
 Joseph Trovato  
 Weick Family

In the event of recovery or improvement, please contact the rectory. A persons name will be removed after several weeks unless notification to remain is received.

**Memorial Gifts for the Week of January 9, 2022**

**Memorial Gift of Bread**

In Memory of: John Gannon  
 Requested by: Geraldine Ricco



**Memorial Gift of Altar Candle**

In Memory of: Dec'd Members of the Muriale & Beyrouti Families

Requested by: The Beyrouti Family



**Purgatorial Society**

Ernest Tulino  
 Helen Lynch  
 Marie Alba  
 Santo Zito  
 Lucy Coluccio

**Rest in Peace**

Santo Zito  
 Marie Robbins



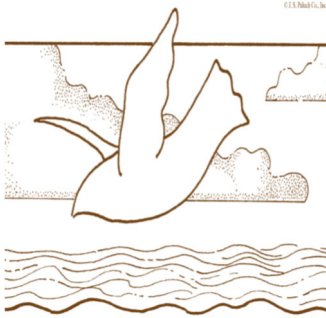
**Sunday Collection**

Weekly Goal:  
\$7,500  
Amount Received:  
\$6,473  
Shortfall:  
\$1,027

Such recurring deficits continue to be alarming. Please keep up with your weekly giving.

Thank you for supporting our Parish.

Msgr. Caserta



**The Baptism of the Lord**

**January 9, 2022**

He saved us through the bath of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit.

— *Titus 3:5*

**Parish Registration**

**To our St. Bernadette Community, if you are not already an active and registered parishioner, please stop by the rectory office and speak to Anna to register. If you are not registered, we can not issue any letters of recommendations, or sponsorship certificate, etc.**

**Thank you.  
Msgr. Caserta**

**St. Bernadette Christmas Flowers**

**In Memory of:**

John Huzinec  
Vincenzo Iacopetta  
Adam DeMaria

**Donated by:**

The Carestia Family  
The Ljubich Family



**St. Bernadette Catholic Academy**

The mission of St. Bernadette Catholic Academy is to educate the whole child, fostering and stimulating in students an awareness of their Baptismal gift of Faith, recognition of their own God-given talents, and to empower students to mature into successful Catholic Christian adult citizens.



**Give the Gift of Education- Be an angel to a student!** As an angel, you **enable a student** who is **at risk** financially, to remain in his or her Catholic school. **100%** of your contribution is directed to the tuition, with the parents or guardians contributing their part. Your tax-deductible contributions can be made in honor or in memory of someone you hold dear, while assisting a child who might not otherwise be able to afford the benefit that a catholic school education offers. For further information please contact **St. Bernadette School Principal, Sr. Joan @ 718-236-1560** or **Futures in Education Foundation @ [www.futuresineducation.org](http://www.futuresineducation.org)**



**The Holy Name Society**

As a spiritual gift to Jesus Christ, The Holy Name Society is asking for volunteers to pledge a daily Rosary for each day during Advent with the intention being for lapsed Catholics, especially those in our family and friends. Make your pledge at the rear of the church after all Sunday masses.

*Shrine Church of St. Bernadette  
2021*

*80+1 Raffle Club*

Two - \$150.00 drawing each week for 40 weeks  
Beginning September 24, 2021 through June 17, 2022

Winners will be re-entered in subsequent drawings

Bonus Drawing - \$1,000.00 on April 16, 2022

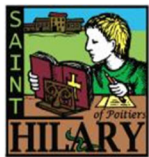
Tickets can be purchased through the Rectory,  
School Office or CCD Office  
For information call the Rectory - 718-837-3400

Tickets are \$50.00 each

Don't miss out - Purchase your ticket early!  
Tickets will be sold on an ongoing basis

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

- Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord
- Monday: First Week in Ordinary Time
- Thursday: St. Hilary
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Isaiah speaks of the Servant whom the Lord upholds; he shall bring forth justice to the nations (Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7) *or* Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11.

**Psalm** — The Lord will bless his people with peace (Psalm 29) *or* Psalm 104.

**Second Reading** — Jesus was anointed by God with the Holy Spirit; he went out healing and doing good (Acts 10:34-38) *or* Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7.

**Gospel** — A voice comes from heaven proclaiming Jesus as the beloved Son, with whom God is well pleased (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22).

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**Society of St. Vincent de Paul Gives Back**

St. Bernadette can share in the profits. For each car, truck or van, running or not, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will give back to our church **\$50/\$100 per vehicle**. Maybe you don't have a vehicle, but a family member, friend or neighbor has an old or neglected vehicle in their driveway that they would like to dispose of. Call the Society of **St. Vincent de Paul @ 718-491-2525**

Thank You for your participation.



Diocesan Pilgrimage  
World Meeting of Families, Rome  
Visit to Assisi, Siena & Florence

Join Pope Francis,  
The Office of Family Life  
And the Diocese of Brooklyn

June 20-30, 2022

For a Brochure Call  
Regina Tours  
1-800-Catholi© x 232  
fciraolo@groupist.com

Diocesan Pilgrimage  
Oberammergun  
The Passion Play  
Visit To: Wurzburg  
Rothenburg, Rebensburg, Passau,  
Salzburg & Munich

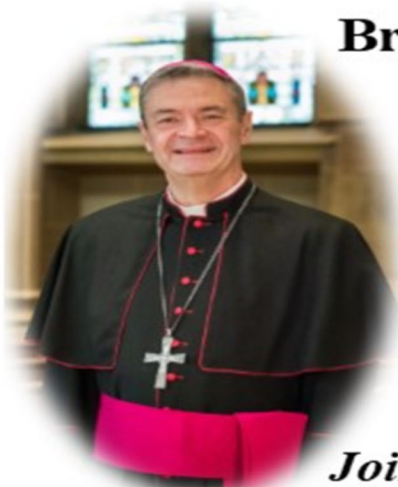
May 17-26, 2022  
Bishop Octavio Cisneros  
Spiritual Director  
Rev. Frank Schwarz  
Chaplain

For a Brochure Call  
Peters Way Tours  
516-605-1551  
peter@petersway.com

## PRAYER OF THE WEEK

### The Baptism of the Lord

Almighty ever-living God,  
who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan  
and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him,  
solemnly declared him your beloved Son,  
grant that your children by adoption,  
reborn of water and the Holy Spirit,  
may always be well pleasing to you.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.



## Brooklyn Deanery B9 Mass with Bishop Robert J. Brennan

**Tuesday, January 25, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

**St. Patrick's Church**  
9511 4th Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York

*Join with Parishioners of  
Our Lady of Angels, Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
St. Andrew, St. Anselm, St. Bernadette,  
St. Ephrem and St. Patrick*

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

## SYNODAL LISTENING SESSION WITH BISHOP BRENNAN

**Immediately  
following the Mass**  
*Two parishioners (2)  
from each parish will be  
invited to attend this  
Listening Session*





A VOICE CAME  
FROM HEAVEN,  
“YOU ARE MY  
BELOVED SON;  
WITH YOU I AM  
WELL PLEASED.”

LUKE 3:22

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 9, 2022

## A MODEL FOR OUR PRAYER LIFE

The Advent/Christmas cycle that began on November 28 ends with the Baptism of the Lord. We likely have an image in our minds (based on details from the Gospels and works of art) of what that scene looked like. We might wonder, “Who else was there and who wasn’t?” No disciples were present because Jesus had not yet begun his ministry. They would have to wait until the Transfiguration to hear a similar message. However, the three persons of the Blessed Trinity are accounted for: the Father (the voice from heaven), the Son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. Interestingly, Luke alone notes that it was after Jesus had been baptized and while he was praying that the voice was heard. All of the Gospels show Jesus praying at turning points in his ministry; this is but the first example of Jesus’ need to root himself in prayer throughout his life—a model for us to follow.

## ON THE CUSP OF A NEW CREATION

It was on the Fourth Sunday of Advent this past December that we first heard of the two cousins, John and Jesus, meeting. Then it was in the womb of their mothers, Elizabeth and Mary. Now the cousins meet again on the shore of the Jordan River. John is already well known—so much so that people had begun to wonder if he was the long-awaited Messiah. Jesus, on the other hand, is about to begin his ministry. One could say that Jesus entered the waters of the Jordan as a private person and came out of them as a public one. The voice from heaven left no doubt about that. As we come to the end of the Christmas season our readings echo Isaiah and Titus (see Advent and Christmas Day readings) and together with today’s Psalm 104 they point us to Pentecost. We are on the cusp of a new creation.

## JOHN THE BAPTIST: PATRON SAINT OF LITURGICAL MINISTERS?

John the Baptist was what we might call today a “social influencer.” People paid attention to what he had to say. And what he said affected the choices people made. Yet today’s Gospel reminds us of John the Baptist’s ultimate goal: “One mightier than I is coming.” The Baptizer walks the fine line between drawing attention to himself with his fiery preaching and then re-directing that attention to Jesus, the “beloved Son.” John the Baptist could be considered the “patron saint” of those who minister as lectors, extraordinary ministers of the eucharist, cantors, greeters, acolytes, and musicians. Isn’t John’s teaching a good goal for a liturgical (or any!) minister? Rooted in the graces of their own baptism, ministers must be skilled and confident enough to draw people’s attention (or, at least, not turn them off!) and then gradually re-focus that attention on Jesus. It is a dynamic and awesome responsibility.

## TODAY’S READINGS

Isaiah 40:1–5, 9–11  
Psalm 104:1b–2, 3–4, 24–25,  
27–28, 29–30  
Titus 2:11–14; 3:4–7  
Luke 3:15–16, 21–22

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